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RE: New U.S. Patent Application
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Title: "PROCESS FOR EXECUTING A DOWNLOADABLE..."
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Please amend the original claims 1, 2, 3, 12, 13, and 15 as indicated below.

1. (Currently Amended) A process for executing a downloadable service with specific access rights to at least one profile file in a user's computer, said computer comprising a web browser communication to the Internet or intranet via a first communication port and socket, said process being characterized in that it involves the steps of:

- arranging a confined run time environment [(11)] which is assigned a second communication port and socket and providing restricted access to at least one profile file;
- downloading said service through said second communication port so that it is received by said confined run time environment [(11)]; and
- executing said service within said confined run time environment whereby said service is given an access to said at least one profile file in a secure environment.

2. (Original) The process according to claim 1 characterized in that said confined run time environment is an extended sandbox having restrictive access to said at least one profile file.

3. (Currently Amended) The process according to claim 2 characterized in that the service is downloaded under the form of a set of java code [containing classes structure] containing class structures packaged within a signed archive file. Three parts compose the service: remote Internet data, a list of requested data that are needed to personalise the service, and code to sort remote Internet data using requested accessible data.

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4. (Canceled)

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11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) The process according to claim 1 wherein said downloadable service is an authentication service cooperating with a [master] smart card.

13. (Currently Amended) A transaction aid for assisting a transaction between an user and at least one remote server [(3, 4)], said transaction aid comprising program code elements for carrying out a process as claimed in [any preceding claim] claim 1.

14. (Canceled)

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15. (Currently Amended) A transaction aid computer program product having program code elements for carrying out a process as claimed in [any of claims 1 to 9] claim 1.